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RFP No. HTH 550-2

RFP Title:
Primary Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect
(Child Maltreatment)

Sub Category:
Training and Technical Assistances

October 12, 2004

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The Department of Health, Family Health Services Division, Maternal and Child Health Branch (MCHB), Family and Community Support Section (FCSS) is requesting proposals from qualified applicants to provide Training and Technical Assistance essential to staff development and the delivery of Hawaii Healthy Start (HHS) services. HHS is a comprehensive program of prevention and intervention services for prenatal women and families with infants and children zero to five (0-5) years of age, with emphasis on children under three (3) years of age, who are at-risk for child maltreatment. Training consists of Healthy Families America (HFA)/MCHB: 1) Intensive Role Specific (IRS) training; 2) Additional training; 3) On-going training 4) Prenatal curriculum training; and, 5) Required Early Intervention System orientations/trainings. Technical Assistance includes support to: 1) All HHS staff in delivery of service according to Standards of Best Practice; 2) Program development; and, 3) HFA credentialing requirements. The contract term will be from July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2009. Single contract will be awarded under this request for proposals.

Proposals shall be mailed and postmarked by the United State Postal Service on or before January 14, 2005, or hand delivered no later than 4:30 p.m., Hawaii Standard Time (HST), on January 14, 2005, at the drop-off sites designated on the Proposal Mail-in and Delivery Information Sheet. Proposals postmarked or hand delivered after the submittal deadline shall be considered late and rejected. There are no exceptions to this requirement.

The Family Health Services Division will conduct an orientation on **October 29, 2004 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. HST, at the Ala Wai Golf Course Clubhouse Multi-Purpose Recreational Facility – 2nd floor, 404 Kapahulu Avenue, Honolulu, Hawaii.** All prospective applicants are encouraged to attend the orientation.

The deadline for submission of written questions is 4:30 p.m., HST, on November 12, 2004. All written questions will receive a written response from the State on or about November 30, 2004.

Inquiries regarding this RFP should be directed to the RFP contact person, Mr. Mark Yabui at 741-A Sunset Avenue, Honolulu, Hawaii 96816, telephone: (808) 733-4181, fax: (808) 733-9078, e-mail: mark.yabui@fhds.health.state.hi.us

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Honolulu, Hawaii

Maui:

Department of Health
Maui District Health Office
State Office Building, 3rd Floor
54 High Street
Wailuku, Maui
Attn: DOH Admin. Services Office

East Hawaii:

Department of Health
Hawaii District Health Office
State Office Building, Room 105
75 Aupuni Street
Attn: DOH Admin. Services Office

Kauai:

Department of Health
Kauai District Health Office
Lihue Health Center
3040 Umi Street
Lihue, Kauai
Attn: DOH Admin. Services Office

West Hawaii:

Department of Health
Kealahakua Business Plaza
81-980 Haleki'i Street
Kealahakua, Hawaii
Attn: DOH Admin. Services Office

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Section 1

Administrative Overview

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Administrative Overview

Applicants are encouraged to read each section of the RFP thoroughly. While sections such as the administrative overview may appear similar among RFPs, state purchasing agencies may add additional information as applicable. It is the responsibility of the applicant to understand the requirements of *each* RFP.

I. Authority

This RFP is issued under the provisions of the Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), Chapter 103F and its administrative rules. All prospective applicants are charged with presumptive knowledge of all requirements of the cited authorities. Submission of a valid executed proposal by any prospective applicant shall constitute admission of such knowledge on the part of such prospective applicant.

II. RFP Organization

This RFP is organized into five sections:

Section 1, Administrative Overview--Provides applicants with an overview of the procurement process.

Section 2, Service Specifications--Provides applicants with a general description of the tasks to be performed, delineates applicant responsibilities, and defines deliverables (as applicable).

Section 3, Proposal Application Instructions--Describes the required format and content for the proposal application.

Section 4, Proposal Evaluation--Describes how proposals will be evaluated by the state purchasing agency.

Section 5, Attachments --Provides applicants with information and forms necessary to complete the application.

III. Contracting Office

The Contracting Office is responsible for overseeing the contract(s) resulting from this RFP, including system operations, fiscal agent operations, and monitoring and assessing provider performance. The Contracting Office is:

Maternal and Child Health Branch
 Family and Community Support Section
 Department of Health, State of Hawaii
 741-A Sunset Avenue
 Honolulu, Hawaii 96816
 Phone: (808) 733-4181 Fax: (808) 733-9078

IV. Procurement Timetable

Note that the procurement timetable represents the State's best estimated schedule. Contract start dates may be subject to the issuance of a notice to proceed.

Activity	Scheduled Date
Public notice announcing RFP	Oct. 12, 2004
Distribution of RFP	Oct. 12, 2004
RFP orientation session	Oct. 29, 2004
Closing date for submission of written questions for written responses	Nov. 12, 2004
State purchasing agency's response to applicants' written questions	Nov. 30, 2004
Discussions with applicant prior to proposal submittal deadline (optional)	Dec. 2004
Proposal submittal deadline	Jan. 14, 2005
Discussions with applicant after proposal submittal deadline (optional)	Jan. 18 – Feb. 15, 2005
Final revised proposals (optional)	Feb 25, 2005
Proposal evaluation period	Jan-Mar 2005
Provider selection	April 2005
Notice of statement of findings and decision	April 2005
Contract start date	July 1, 2005

V. Orientation

An orientation for applicants in reference to the request for proposals will be held as follows:

Date: October 29, 2004 **Time:** 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Location: Ala Wai Golf Course Clubhouse. Multi-Purpose Recreational Facility – 2nd floor, 404 Kapahulu Avenue, Honolulu, Hawaii

Applicants are encouraged to submit written questions prior to the orientation. Impromptu questions will be permitted at the orientation and spontaneous answers provided at the state purchasing agency's discretion. However, answers provided at the orientation are only intended as general direction and may not represent the state purchasing agency's position. Formal official responses will be provided in writing. To ensure a written response, any oral questions should be submitted in writing following the close of the orientation, but no later than the submittal deadline for written questions indicated in the next paragraph (VI. Submission of Questions).

VI. Submission of Questions

Applicants may submit questions to the RFP Contact Person identified in Section 2 of this RFP. All written questions will receive a written response from the state purchasing agency.

Deadline for submission of written questions:

Date: November 12, 2004 **Time:** 4:30 p.m. HST

State agency responses to applicant written questions will be provided by:

Date: November 30 2004

VII. Submission of Proposals

A. Forms/Formats - Forms, with the exception of program specific requirements, may be found on the State Procurement Office website at: www.spo.hawaii.gov, click *Procurement of Health and Human Services* and *For Private Providers*. Refer to the Proposal Application Checklist for the location of program specific forms.

1. **Proposal Application Identification (Form SPO-H-200)** - Provides identification of the proposal.
2. **Proposal Application Checklist** – Provides applicants with information on where to obtain the required forms; information on program specific requirements; which forms are required and the order in which all components should be assembled and submitted to the state purchasing agency.
3. **Table of Contents** - A sample table of contents for proposals is located in Section 5, Attachments. This is a sample and meant as a guide. The table of contents may vary depending on the RFP.
4. **Proposal Application (Form SPO-H-200A)** - Applicant shall submit comprehensive narratives that addresses all of the issues contained in the Proposal Application Instructions, including a cost proposal/budget if required. (Refer to Section 3 of this RFP.)
5. **Registration Form (SPO-H-100A)** – If applicant is not registered with the State Procurement Office (business status), this form must be submitted with the application. If applicant is unsure as to their registration status, they may check the State Procurement Office website at: <http://www.spo.hawaii.gov>, click *Procurement of Health and Human Services*, and *For Private Providers* and *Provider*

Lists...The List of Registered Private Providers for Use with the Competitive Method of Procurement or call the State Procurement Office at (808) 587-4706.

6. **Tax Clearance** – A certified copy of a current valid tax clearance certificate issued by the State of Hawaii, Department of Taxation (DOTAX) and the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) will be required either at the time of proposal submittal or upon notice of award at the discretion of the purchasing agency.

Refer to Section 4, item III.A.1, Administrative Requirements, and the Proposal Application Checklist to see if the tax clearance is required at time of proposal submittal. The tax clearance application may be obtained from the Department of Taxation website at www.hawaii.gov/tax/tax.html.

- B. **Program Specific Requirements** - Additional program specific requirements are included in Sections 2 and/or 3, Service Specifications and the Proposal Application Instructions, as applicable. If Federal and/or State certifications are required, they are listed on the Proposal Application Checklist.
- C. **Multiple or Alternate Proposals** - Multiple or alternate proposals shall not be accepted unless specifically provided for in Section 2 of this RFP. In the event alternate proposals are not accepted and an applicant submits alternate proposals, but clearly indicates a primary proposal, it shall be considered for award as though it were the only proposal submitted by the applicant.
- D. **Proposal Submittal** - Proposals must be postmarked by USPS or hand delivered by the date and time designated on the Proposal Mail-In and Delivery Information Sheet attached to this RFP. Any proposal postmarked or received after the designated date and time shall be rejected. Note that postmarks must be by United States Postal Service or they will be considered hand-delivered and shall be rejected if late. The number of copies required is located on the Proposal Mail-In and Delivery Information Sheet.
- E. **Wages and Labor Law Compliance** - Before a provider enters into a service contract in excess of \$25,000, the provider shall certify that it complies with section 103-55, HRS, Wages, hours, and working conditions of employees of contractors performing services. Section 103-55, HRS may be obtained from the Hawaii State Legislature website at <http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/>. Or go directly to: http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/hrscurrent/Vol02_Ch0046-0115/HRS0103/HRS_0103-0055.htm

- F. Confidential Information** – If an applicant believes any portion of a proposal contains information that should be withheld as confidential, the applicant shall request in writing nondisclosure of designated proprietary data to be confidential and provide justification to support confidentiality. Such data shall accompany the proposal, be clearly marked, and shall be readily separable from the proposal to facilitate eventual public inspection of the non-confidential sections of the proposal.

Note that price is not considered confidential and will not be withheld.

VIII. Discussions with Applicants

- A. Prior to Submittal Deadline.** Discussions may be conducted with potential applicants to promote understanding of the purchasing agency's requirements.
- B. After Proposal Submittal Deadline -** Discussions may be conducted with applicants whose proposals are determined to be reasonably susceptible of being selected for award, but proposals may be accepted without discussions, in accordance section 3-143-403, HAR.

IX. Opening of Proposals

Upon receipt of proposal by a state purchasing agency at a designated location, proposals, modifications to proposals, and withdrawals of proposals shall be date-stamped, and when possible, time-stamped. All documents so received shall be held in a secure place by the state purchasing agency and not examined for evaluation purposes until the submittal deadline.

Procurement files shall be open to public inspection after a contract has been awarded and executed by all parties.

X. Additional Materials and Documentation

Upon request from the state purchasing agency, each applicant shall submit any additional materials and documentation reasonably required by the state purchasing agency in its evaluation of the proposals.

XI. RFP Amendments

The State reserves the right to amend this RFP at any time prior to the closing date for the final revised proposals.

XII. Final Revised Proposals

The applicant's final revised proposal, *as applicable* to this RFP, must be postmarked or hand delivered by the date and time specified by the state purchasing agency. Any final revised proposal post-marked or received after the designated date and time shall be rejected. If a final revised proposal is not submitted, the previous submittal shall be construed as their best and final offer/proposal. *The applicant shall submit ~~only~~ the section(s) of the proposal that are amended, along with the Proposal Application Identification Form (SPO-H-200).* After final revised proposals are received, final evaluations will be conducted for an award.

XIII. Cancellation of Request for Proposal

The request for proposal may be canceled and any or all proposals may be rejected in whole or in part, when it is determined to be in the best interests of the State.

XIV. Costs for Proposal Preparation

Any costs incurred by applicants in preparing or submitting a proposal are the applicants' sole responsibility.

XV. Provider Participation in Planning

Provider participation in a state purchasing agency's efforts to plan for or to purchase health and human services prior to the state purchasing agency's release of a request for proposals, including the sharing of information on community needs, best practices, and providers' resources, shall not disqualify providers from submitting proposals if conducted in accordance with sections 3-142-202, 3-142-203 and 3-143-618 of the Hawaii Administrative Rules for Chapter 103F, HRS.

XVI. Rejection of Proposals

The State reserves the right to consider as acceptable only those proposals submitted in accordance with all requirements set forth in this RFP and which demonstrate an understanding of the problems involved and comply with the service specifications. Any proposal offering any other set of terms and conditions contradictory to those included in this RFP may be rejected without further notice.

A proposal may be automatically rejected for any one or more of the following reasons: (Relevant sections of the Hawaii Administrative Rules for Chapter 103F, HRS, are parenthesized)

- (1) Rejection for failure to cooperate or deal in good faith. (Section 3-141-201, HAR)
- (2) Rejection for inadequate accounting system. (Section 3-141-202, HAR)
- (3) Late proposals (Section 3-143-603, HAR)
- (4) Inadequate response to request for proposals (Section 3-143-609, HAR)
- (5) Proposal not responsive (Section 3-143-610 (1), HAR)
- (6) Applicant not responsible (Section 3-143-610 (2), HAR)

XVII. Notice of Award

A statement of findings and decision shall be provided to all applicants by mail upon completion of the evaluation of competitive purchase of service proposals.

Any agreement arising out of this solicitation is subject to the approval of the Department of the Attorney General as to form, and to all further approvals, including the approval of the Governor, required by statute, regulation, rule, order or other directive.

No work is to be undertaken by the awardee prior to the contract commencement date. The State of Hawaii is not liable for any costs incurred prior to the official starting date.

XVIII. Protests

Any applicant may file a protest against the awarding of the contract. The Notice of Protest form, SPO-H-801, is available on the SPO website (see the Proposal Application Checklist in Section 5 of this RFP. Only the following matters may be protested:

- (1) A state purchasing agency's failure to follow procedures established by Chapter 103F of the Hawaii Revised Statutes;
- (2) A state purchasing agency's failure to follow any rule established by Chapter 103F of the Hawaii Revised Statutes; and
- (3) A state purchasing agency's failure to follow any procedure, requirement, or evaluation criterion in a request for proposals issued by the state purchasing agency.

The Notice of Protest shall be mailed by USPS or hand delivered to the head of the state purchasing agency conducting the protested procurement and the procurement officer who is conducting the procurement (as indicated below)

within five working days of the postmark of the Notice of Findings and Decision sent to the protestor. Delivery services other than USPS shall be considered hand deliveries and considered submitted on the date of actual receipt by the state purchasing agency.

Head of State Purchasing Agency	Procurement Officer
Name: Chiyome Leina'ala Fukino, M.D.	Name: Ann H. Kinningham
Title: Director of Health	Title: Chief, Administrative Services Office
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XIX. Availability of Funds

The award of a contract and any allowed renewal or extension thereof, is subject to allotments made by the Director of Finance, State of Hawaii, pursuant to Chapter 37, HRS, and subject to the availability of State and/or Federal funds.

XX. Monitoring and Evaluation

The criteria by which the performance of the contract will be monitored and evaluated are:

- (1) Performance/Outcome Measures
- (2) Output Measures
- (3) Quality of Care/Quality of Services
- (4) Financial Management
- (5) Administrative Requirements

XXI. General and Special Conditions of Contract

The general conditions that will be imposed contractually are on the SPO website. (See Section 5, Proposal Application Checklist for the address). Special conditions may also be imposed contractually by the state purchasing agency, as deemed necessary.

XXII. Cost Principles

In order to promote uniform purchasing practices among state purchasing agencies procuring health and human services under Chapter 103F, HRS, state purchasing agencies will utilize standard cost principles outlined in Form SPO-H-201 which is available on the SPO website (see section 5, the Proposal Application Checklist). Nothing in this section shall be construed to create an exemption from any cost principle arising under federal law.

Section 2

Service Specifications

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I. Introduction

A. Overview, purpose or need

Children identified as at-risk are born to parents whose circumstances and life experiences render them ill equipped to provide a nurturing home. These children are at increased risk for sub-optimal health, developmental delay and maltreatment. Research indicates this problem is a serious threat to the lives of children today and will have a tremendous impact on the lives of adults in the future. In Hawaii the incidence of confirmed child maltreatment increased by thirty-four percent (34%) from 2000-2003 (Department of Human Services' Annual Reports). The major precipitating factors of child maltreatment include an inability to cope with parenting problems and life stressors such as inadequacies in income and housing, substance use, mental health issues such as maternal depression, and family violence including intimate partner abuse. For such families, Healthy Start is a comprehensive, culturally sensitive and coordinated system of family strengthening support services focusing on prevention and early intervention within the natural context of the family. This is the state's response for meeting the needs of at-risk families.

The Hawaii Department of Health (HDOH), Family Health Services Division, Maternal and Child Health Branch (MCHB), Family and Community Support Section is requesting proposals from qualified applicants to provide Training and Technical Assistance essential to staff development and the delivery of HHS services.

B. Description of the goals of the service

One major goal of training is to deliver and manage the MCHB identified training program for all HHS program staff as part of the HHS Training System. This involves identifying applicable curricula and experienced trainers, and managing coordination and evaluation for each training component (**See Attachment C**).

The HFA/MCHB training components are:

- 1) Intensive Role Specific (IRS) training
- 2) Additional Training

- 3) On-going training Prenatal curriculum training Required Early Intervention System orientations, such as the Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP).

Second major goal is to provide technical assistance. This includes:

- 1) All HHS staff in delivery of service according to Standards of Best Practice;
- 2) Program development; and,
- 3) HFA credentialing requirements.

C. Description of the target population to be served

HHS Purchase of Service Providers (POSP) for the prevention of child maltreatment, including but not limited to, with the following staff: Early Identification (EID)/Family Assessment Workers (FAW), Family Support Workers (FSW), Clinical Supervisors (CS), Child Development Specialists (CDS), Clinical Specialists (CSp), Program Managers, Program Directors, Executive Directors, and other staff identified and/or approved by MCHB.

D. Geographic coverage of service

Statewide.

E. Probable funding amounts, source, and period of availability

For the contract terms:

State funds \$225,500
Tobacco Settlement funds \$0
Special funds \$0

Based on availability of funding and a continuation of need. Additional funding may become available over the life of the contract, and the sources of funding may change.

II. General Requirements

A. Specific qualifications or requirements, including but not limited to licensure or accreditation

The applicant shall comply with the Chapter 103F, HRS Cost Principles for Purchases of Health and Human Services identified in SPO-H-201 (Effective

10/1//98), which can be found on the SPO website (See Section 5, POS Proposal Checklist, for the website address).

B. Secondary purchaser participation
(Refer to §3-143-608, HAR)

After-the-fact secondary purchases will be allowed.

Planned secondary purchases

None

C. Multiple or alternate proposals
(Refer to §3-143-605, HAR)

☐ Allowed ☒ Unallowed

D. Single or multiple contracts to be awarded
(Refer to §3-143-206, HAR)

☒ Single ☐ Multiple ☐ Single & Multiple

E. Single or multi-term contracts to be awarded
(Refer to §3-149-302, HAR)

☐ Single term (≤ 2 yrs) ☒ Multi-term (> 2 yrs.)

Contract terms:

July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2009

One contract shall be awarded to cover statewide.

F. RFP contact person

The individual listed below is the sole point of contact from the date of release of this RFP until the selection of the successful provider or providers. Written questions should be submitted to the RFP contact person and received on or before the day and time specified in Section I, Item IV (Procurement Timetable) of this RFP.

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 Honolulu, Hawaii 96816
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III. Scope of Work

The scope of work encompasses the following tasks and responsibilities:

A. Service Activities

(Minimum and/or mandatory tasks and responsibilities)

Required Trainings (Minimum and/or mandatory tasks)

1. Deliver Intensive Role Specific (IRS) training for all core Healthy Start program staff including FAW, FSW, CS, CDS, and CSp within six (6) months of date of hire.
2. Provide or coordinate additional training, for all HHS staff, within six (6) months of date of hire.
3. Provide or coordinate on-going training for all HHS staff within twelve (12) months of hire and each subsequent year of hire.
4. Deliver other trainings that become necessary as part of HHS's role as a Provider in the Early Intervention System.

Provider shall ensure:

- Provision of technical assistance and support to and between MCHB and HHS POSPs.
- Skill based training to identify, assess, strategize, address, and monitor risk factors families served.
- Utilization of trainers who employ a variety of training strategies including but not limited to:
 - problem-solving
 - role playing with structured feedback
 - demonstrations
 - motivational interviewing
 - stages of change
 - skill based strategies effective with the HHS multi-cultural target population
 - utilization of HHS forms and documents
 - varied modes of learning (visual, tactile, etc.)

- Specific and detailed documentation of each training (outlines, materials, etc.) shall be forwarded to MCHB as part of the approval procedure.
- Training content to maintain and achieve HFA critical elements (**See Attachment D**) that supports credentialing.
- Utilization of a system to document:
 - Availability
 - Accessibility
 - Prioritization
 - Local, specific needs of each POSP
 - Accountability (monitoring, quality assurance and evaluation)

B. Management Requirements (Minimum and/or mandatory requirements)

1. Personnel

Administrators specifically charged with administration of services being contracted shall have direct and proven experience in training development and delivery within the natural environment and/or home visiting services within the past five (5) years and possess management, communication, and organizational skills to ensure achievement of all contracted out measures and designated best practice standards and guidelines as part of the Hawaii Healthy Start program model.

Trainers delivering HFA/MCHB IRS training for FAW, FSW, and CS shall be a HFA credentialed trainer.

Trainers delivering HFA/MCHB IRS training for CDS and CSp shall have completed train-the-trainers training with a minimum of two years of experience as a trainer and possess basic knowledge of the HHS program.

Trainers utilized for HFA/MCHB additional training and on-going trainings shall have completed train-the-trainers training with a minimum of two years of experience as a trainer and possess basic knowledge of the HHS program OR seek and gain HDOH-Early Intervention approval as trainer and training content as outlined in the Department of Health/Family Health Services Division “Guidelines for Early Intervention Approval of Training” (**see Attachment E**).

Trainers utilized for required Early Intervention System (EIS) orientation/training shall be approved by the Staff Development Coordinator at EIS.

Technical assistance and support specialist minimum qualifications:

Three (3) years experience in delivering HHS services within the past five (5) years to provide the detailed and specific knowledge necessary to adequately support the training provider, MCHB, and all HHS staff.

One full-time, dedicated technical assistance and support specialist.

The Provider shall ensure that all training staff meet or exceed the minimum qualifications as defined above.

2. Administrative

The Healthy Start Program Head provides primary direction to the program administrator and other staff. Additional MCHB administrative staff who may offer guidance include the FCSS Supervisor, the MCHB Chief, and the FHSD Chief as needed or requested.

The Provider shall comply with all MCHB quality improvement activities, evaluation measures and data collection methods and standards.

3. Technical Assistance

MCHB administrative staff shall provide technical assistance and support to the Provider. The Provider shall identify an internal liaison person as point of contact to communicate with MCHB and become the source of technical assistance to the EID and HV POSP.

4. Quality assurance and evaluation specifications

The Provider shall ensure that the training and technical assistance align with the following:

Hawaii Healthy Start Program Model (**See Attachment F**)
Healthy Families America Critical Elements

The Provider shall participate in ongoing Quality Assurance/Improvement activities to assure compliance with HHS Program Model.

5. Output and performance/outcome measurements

The Provider takes responsibility for achieving short-term outcomes measures that are linked to long-term statewide objectives that measure conditions in their entirety. Defined output measures are addressed in the Service Delivery section (page 3-3) as summarized in Table A. (**See Attachment G**).

6. Reporting requirements for program and fiscal data

The Provider shall prepare and submit to MCHB a preliminary training plan for each fiscal year detailing proposed budget, estimated needs for training, preliminary training dates, proposed curricula and trainers, learning objectives, pre and post-test forms, related training materials, method of evaluation, effectiveness of training, and strategy of incorporating learning objectives according to timelines and format set by MCHB. This training plan shall be approved by MCHB prior to implementation.

The Provider shall prepare and submit to MCHB a quarterly training report detailing budget, dates of trainings, curricula and trainers, lists of participants, learning objectives, and pre and post-test results according to timeliness and format set by MCHB.

The Provider shall prepare and submit to MCHB a final training report for each fiscal year detailing final costs, effectiveness in meeting needs for training, evaluation of trainer effectiveness, achievement of learning objectives of all training materials utilized, and a corrective action plan, if necessary or determined by MCHB after review, according to timelines and formats set by MCHB.

The Provider shall submit to MCHB an annual variance report no later than sixty (60) calendar days after the end of the fiscal year in the format requested by MCHB, documenting the organization's achievement toward the planned output measures for the budget period.

7. Pricing structure or pricing methodology to be used

Cost Reimbursement

- 8.** The Provider shall make an acknowledgement of the DEPARTMENT and MCHB as the Provider's program sponsor. This acknowledgement shall appear on all printed materials for which the DEPARTMENT is a program sponsor.
- 9.** The Provider shall comply with the all applicable policies and procedures of the Department of Health.

10. Units of service and unit rate

N/A

IV. Facilities

Facilities shall be adequate relative to the proposed services.

Facilities shall be ADA accessible to all HHS staff and families who may want to attend.

Section 3

Proposal Application Instructions

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General instructions for completing applications:

- *Proposal Applications shall be submitted to the state purchasing agency using the prescribed format outlined in this section.*
- *The numerical outline for the application, the titles/subtitles, and the applicant organization and RFP identification information on the top right hand corner of each page should be retained. The instructions for each section however may be omitted.*
- *Page numbering of the Proposal Application should be consecutive, beginning with page one and continuing through for each section. **See sample table of Contents***
- *Proposals may be submitted in a three ring binder (Optional).*
- *Tabbing of sections (Recommended).*
- *Applicants must also include a Table of Contents with the Proposal Application. A sample format is reflected in Section 5, Attachment B of this RFP.*
- *A written response is required for **each** item unless indicated otherwise. Failure to answer any of the items will impact upon an applicant's score.*
- *Applicants are **strongly** encouraged to review evaluation criteria in Section 4, Proposal Evaluation when completing the proposal.*
- *It is not sufficient to reiterate the wording of the RFP as narratives for each specific section are written.*
- *This form (SPO-H-200A) is available on the SPO website (for the website address see the Proposal Application Checklist in Section 5, Attachments). However, the form will not include items specific to each RFP. If using the website form, the applicant must include all items listed in this section.*

The Proposal Application comprises the following sections:

- *Proposal Application Identification Form*
- *Table of Contents*
- *Program Overview*
- *Experience and Capability*
- *Project Organization and Staffing*
- *Service Delivery*
- *Financial*
- *Other*

I. Program Overview

Applicant shall give a brief overview to orient evaluators as to the program/services being offered.

II. Experience and Capability

A. Necessary Skills

Applicant shall describe skills, abilities, and knowledge necessary for delivery of the proposed services. Applicant shall describe how the described skills, abilities, and knowledge will be successfully applied in the delivery of the proposed services.

B. Experience

Applicant shall describe experience in administration of comparable models/programs/projects/contracts. Applicant shall describe success in meeting project outcomes/performance measures/contract obligations.

C. Quality Assurance and Evaluation

Applicant shall describe a system for continuous quality improvement (use of data, quality control, quality assurance, corrective action plans, quality improvement plans) to ensure achievement of contracted performance objectives. Applicant shall describe a system for ensuring conformity to established standards of care and practice as related to proposed services.

D. Coordination of Services

Applicant shall describe capability (ability and willingness) to coordinate services within and without their own agency to include their local community and across the State.

E. Facilities

Applicant shall describe facilities and demonstrate adequacy in relation to the proposed services. Describe plans to secure facilities, if are not currently adequate or not presently available. Describe how the facilities meet ADA requirements, applicable.

III. Project Organization and Staffing

A. Staffing

1. Proposed Staffing

Applicant shall describe proposed staffing and management appropriate for the viability of the services. (Refer to the personnel requirements in the Service Specifications, see Section 2, III.B. Management Requirements)

2. Staff Qualifications

Applicant shall describe approach/system to ensure that all staff assigned to the program meet stated staffing and management requirements and qualifications. (Refer to the qualifications in the Service Specifications, see Section 2, III.B. Management Requirements)

B. Project Organization

1. Supervision and Training

The applicant shall describe its ability to supervise, train and provide administrative direction relative to the delivery of the proposed services.

2. Organization Chart

Applicant shall attach an organization chart reflecting the position of each staff and line of responsibility/supervision and briefly describe approach/system for communication, supervision, training, and provision of administrative direction. (Include position title, name and full time equivalency) Both the “Organization-wide” and “Program” organization charts shall be attached to the Proposal Application.

IV. Service Delivery

Applicant shall include a detailed discussion of the applicant’s approach to applicable service activities and management requirements from Section 2, Item III - Scope of Work of all service activities and tasks to be completed, related work assignments/responsibilities and timelines/schedules.

A. Service Activities

Applicant shall fully describe timelines, schedules, quantity, protocols and procedures, standards, materials, and activities for:

1. Effective system of delivery and coordination of all training which shall include, but not be limited to:
 - a) Training schedules and timelines;
 - b) Registration, protocols and procedures;
 - c) Standards and guidelines; and,
 - d) Evaluation of trainers’ effectiveness.
2. Effective system of technical assistance, in collaboration with MCHB, with shall include but not be limited to:
 - a) Support designed to enhance the effective utilization and development of skills introduced during training;

- b) Capacity to allow POSP input regarding on-going and continuous training; and,
 - c) Development of learning objectives, curricula, and performance objectives related to all on-going and continuous training.
3. Required trainings for Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)/Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) compliance.

B. Management Requirements

Applicants shall identify their baseline for the Healthy Start Outcome Measures. Given available resources and other external factors, the applicant shall formulate both reasonable and achievable performance objectives, and the approach to be taken in meeting these objectives for the multi-year contract period. Please refer to Table A (Outcomes Measures) which should be completed and attached to the Application Proposal. These tables may be found in Section 5, **Attachment G** of this RFP.

Applicant shall meet with MCHB on a monthly basis, to discuss training opportunities, issues, and other needs as arise.

V. Financial

A. Pricing Structure

Applicant shall submit a cost proposal utilizing the pricing structure designated by the state purchasing agency. The cost proposal shall be attached to the Proposal Application.

All budget forms, instructions and samples are located on the SPO website (see the Proposal Application Checklist in Section 5 for website address). The following budget form(s) shall be submitted with the Proposal Application:

B. Other Financial Related Materials

1. Accounting System

In order to determine the adequacy of the applicant's accounting system as described under the administrative rules, the following documents are requested as part of the Proposal Application (may be attached):

- A. SPO-H-205 Proposal Budget
- B. SPO-H-206A Budget Justification – Personnel: Salaries & Wages

- C. SPO-H-206B Budget Justification – Personnel: Payroll Taxes, Assessments, & Fringe Benefits
- D. SPO-H-206C Budget Justification Travel – Inter-Island
- E. SPO-H-206D Budget Justification Travel – Out of State
- F. SPO-H-206F Budget Justification Contractual Services – Subcontract
- G. SPO-H-206H Budget Justification Program Activities

VI. Other

A. Litigation

The applicant shall disclose any pending litigation to which they are a party, including the disclosure of any outstanding judgment. If applicable, please explain.

Section 4

Proposal Evaluation

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Proposal Evaluation

VII. Introduction

The evaluation of proposals received in response to the RFP will be conducted comprehensively, fairly and impartially. Structural, quantitative scoring techniques will be utilized to maximize the objectivity of the evaluation.

VIII. Evaluation Process

The procurement officer or an evaluation committee of designated reviewers selected by the head of the state purchasing agency or procurement officer shall review and evaluate proposals. When an evaluation committee is utilized, the committee will be comprised of individuals with experience in, knowledge of, and program responsibility for program service and financing.

The evaluation will be conducted in three phases as follows:

- Phase 1 - Evaluation of Proposal Requirements
- Phase 2 - Evaluation of Proposal Application
- Phase 3 - Recommendation for Award

<u>Evaluation Categories</u>	<u>Maximum Points</u>
<i>Administrative Requirements</i>	
<i>Proposal Application</i>	
Program Overview	0 points
Experience and Capability	20 points
Project Organization and Staffing	20 points
Service Delivery	60 points
Financial	0 points
TOTAL MAXIMUM POINTS	100 points

A point scale will be used to rate the proposal content. Each item shall be rated on a 5-point scale. A proposal response that did not address required elements (unsatisfactory) will be rated as a 1 (one). A proposal that met all required elements (satisfactory) will be rated as a 3 (three). A proposal that exceeded required elements and was more comprehensive in explanation and detail (exceptional) will be rated a 5 (five). Points will be assigned according to the evaluation criteria.

Place Value	1	2	3	4	5
unsatisfactory	I-----I-----I-----I-----I	exceptional			
	satisfactory				

IX. Evaluation Criteria

A. Phase 1 - Evaluation of Proposal Requirements

1. Administrative Requirements
2. Proposal Application Requirements

- Proposal Application Identification Form (Form SPO-H-200)
- Table of Contents
- Program Overview
- Experience and Capability
- Project Organization and Staffing
- Service Delivery
- Financial (All required forms and documents)
- Program Specific Requirements (as applicable)

B. Phase 2 - Evaluation of Proposal Application (100 Points)

Program Overview: No points are assigned to Program Overview. The intent is to give the applicant an opportunity to orient evaluators as to the service(s) being offered.

1. *Experience and Capability (20 Points)*

A maximum of 5 points will be assigned to each bullet below.

The State will evaluate the applicant's experience and capability relevant to the proposed services, which shall include:

A. Necessary Skills

- Description of skills, abilities, and knowledge necessary for the delivery of the proposed services and how the described skills, abilities, and knowledge will be successfully applied in the delivery of the proposed services.

B. Experience

- Description of experience in administration of comparable models/programs/projects/contracts and success in meeting project outcomes/performance measures/contract obligations.

c. Quality Assurance and Evaluation

- Description of a system for continuous improvement (use of data, quality control, quality assurance, corrective action plans, quality improvement systems) to ensure achievement of contracted performance objectives and conformity to established standard of care and practice as related to proposed services.

d. Coordination of Services

- Description of capability (ability and willingness) to coordinate services within applicant's own agency and across related and/or pertinent agencies, programs, and resources within the community and across the State.

e. Facilities (no points assigned)

- Facilities relative to the proposed services must meet ADA requirements.

2. Project Organization and Staffing (20 Points)

A maximum of 10 points will be assigned to each bullet below

The State will evaluate the applicant's overall staffing approach to the proposed services, which shall include:

a. Project Organization

- Description of ability to supervise, train, communicate, and provide administrative direction relative to the delivery of the proposed services. [Attachment of an organizational chart reflecting the position of each staff and line of responsibility/supervision required.]

b. Staffing

- Description of proposed staffing and management

appropriate for the viability of the proposed services with description of approach/system to ensure that all staff assigned to the program meet stated staffing and management requirements and qualifications.

3. *Service Delivery (60 Points)*

A maximum of 20 points will be assigned to each bullet below.

The State will evaluate the applicant's detailed discussion of approach to applicable service activities and management requirements, which shall include:

- Description of a training system and plan (timelines, schedules, quantity, protocols and procedures, standards, materials, and activities) for providing an effective system of delivery and coordination of all training which shall include, but not be limited to: 1. training schedules and timelines, 2. registration, protocols and procedures, 3. standards and guidelines, and, 4. evaluation of trainers' effectiveness.
- Description a technical system and plan (timelines, schedules, quantity, protocols and procedures, standards, materials, and activities) for providing an effective system of technical assistance which shall include, but not be limited to: 1. support designed to enhance the utilization and development of skills; 2. capacity to allow POSP input regarding training; and 3. development of learning objectives, curricula, and performance objectives related to all trainings..
- Description of timelines, schedules, quantity, protocols and procedures, standards, materials, and activities for providing the required trainings for IDEA and OSEP compliance.

5. *Financial*

Pricing structure based on fixed price

No points are assigned to Financial. Attachment and completion of Training/Travel budget required only for Applicants applying for the islands of Kauai, Hawaii, Maui and Molokai. Attachment and completion of C-3 and SPO-H-206C-Adequacy of accounting system required for all Applicants.

- **Phase 3 - Recommendation for Award**

Each notice of award shall contain a statement of findings and decision for the award or non-award of the contract to each applicant.

Section 5

Attachments

- A. Proposal Application Checklist
- B. Sample Table of Contents
- C. Hawaii Healthy Start Detailed Training Elements
- D. Healthy Families America Critical Elements
- E. Guidelines for Early Intervention Approval of Training
- F. Hawaii Healthy Start Program Model
- G. Table A - Outcomes Measures
- H. Department of Health's Directive Number
04-01 dated May 3, 2004

Attachment A

Proposal Application Checklist

Proposal Application Checklist

Applicant: _____

RFP No.: HTH 550-2

The applicant's proposal must contain the following components in the order shown below. This checklist must be signed, dated and returned to the state purchasing agency as part of the Proposal Application. *SPO-H forms are located on the web at <http://www.spo.hawaii.gov> Click *Procurement of Health and Human Services* and *For Private Providers*.*

Item	Reference in RFP	Format/Instructions Provided	Required by Purchasing Agency	Completed by Applicant
General:				
Proposal Application Identification Form (SPO-H-200)	Section 1, RFP	SPO Website*	X	
Proposal Application Checklist	Section 1, RFP	Attachment A	X	
Table of Contents	Section 5, RFP	Section 5, RFP	X	
Proposal Application (SPO-H-200A)	Section 3, RFP	SPO Website*	X	
Registration Form (SPO-H-100A)	Section 1, RFP	SPO Website*	(Required if not Registered)	
Tax Clearance Certificate (Form A-6)	Section 1, RFP	Dept. of Taxation Website (Link on SPO website)*		
Cost Proposal (Budget)				
SPO-H-205	Section 3, RFP	SPO Website*	X	
SPO-H-205A	Section 3, RFP	SPO Website* Special Instructions is applicable, Section 5		
SPO-H-205B	Section 3, RFP,	SPO Website* Special Instructions, Section 5		
SPO-H-206A	Section 3, RFP	SPO Website*	X	
SPO-H-206B	Section 3, RFP	SPO Website*	X	
SPO-H-206C	Section 3, RFP	SPO Website*	X	
SPO-H-206D	Section 3, RFP	SPO Website*	X	
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SPO-H-206F	Section 3, RFP	SPO Website*	X	
SPO-H-206G	Section 3, RFP	SPO Website*		
SPO-H-206H	Section 3, RFP	SPO Website*	X	
SPO-H-206I	Section 3, RFP	SPO Website*		
SPO-H-206J	Section 3, RFP	SPO Website*		
Certifications:				
Federal Certifications		Section 5, RFP		
Debarment & Suspension		Section 5, RFP		
Drug Free Workplace		Section 5, RFP		
Lobbying		Section 5, RFP		
Program Fraud Civil Remedies Act		Section 5, RFP		
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Program Specific Requirements:				
Output Measures	Section 3	Section 5, RFP	X	

Authorized Signature

Date

Attachment B

Sample Table of Contents

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	SPO-H-206C Budget Justification - Travel: Interisland	
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	Financial Audit for fiscal year ended June 30, 1994	
C.	Organization Chart	
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Attachment C

Hawaii Healthy Start Detailed Training

Hawaii Healthy Start Detailed Training Attachment

Intensive Role Specific (IRS) Training

All newly hired staff receive Healthy Families America (HFA)/Maternal and Child Health Branch (MCHB) specific training *within six months of date of hire* to understand the essential components of home visitation services for at risk families and roles and responsibilities within the Hawaii Healthy Start program.

Early Identification staff

All Family Assessment Workers (FAW) and their Clinical Supervisors (CS) receive specific training within six months of date of hire to understand the essential components of screening, assessing, and referring at risk families to home visiting services.

Home Visiting staff

All Family Support Workers (FSW) and their Clinical Supervisors (CS) receive specific training within six months of date of hire to understand the essential components of home visitation for at risk families.

All Child Development Specialists (CDS) receive specific training, based on the Hawaii Healthy Start CDS model, within six months of date of hire to understand child development milestones, to identify suspected developmental delays, and to provide the necessary referrals and follow-up interventions.

All Clinical Specialists (CSp) receive specific training based, on the Hawaii Healthy Start CSp model, within six months of date of hire to understand family dynamics and stages of change, to provide treatment readiness primarily for family violence (including intimate partner abuse), substance use/abuse (including smoking), and mental health issues (e.g., symptoms of maternal depression), and to provide the necessary referrals and follow-up interventions.

All data management staff receive specific training within six months of date of hire to understand the essential components of the Child Health Early Intervention Record System (CHEIRS) within the Hawaii Healthy Start program.

Cross-training is highly recommended (e.g., FSW attends the FAW IRS, and vica versa)

Additional Training

HFA and/or MCHB have identified a variety of topics necessary for effectively working with at risk families and children. The purpose is to gain knowledge and develop skills. All newly hired staff, *within six months of date of hire*, must either:

- Possess this knowledge and demonstrate the related skills

OR

- Receive this additional training

Necessary topics include but are not limited to:

- **Role of Culture in Parenting**
Culture of poverty
Values clarification
Effectively working with diverse cultures/populations (age, religion, gender, sexuality, ethnicity, poverty, dads, teens, gangs, disabled populations, etc.).
- **Baby Care Basics**
Promoting breastfeeding
Understanding and responding to infant cues
Physical care of the baby
Crying and comforting the baby.
- **Child Health and Safety**
Promoting home safety
Preventing shaken baby syndrome and SIDS
Guideline in seeking medical care,
Knowledge of well-child visits/immunizations schedules
Seeking appropriate childcare
Promote consistent use of the car seat
Awareness of failure to thrive
- **Maternal and Family Health**
Strategies to promote family planning and adequate birth spacing
Promoting a nutritious diet
Pre-natal/post-natal healthcare
Awareness of pre-natal/post-partum depression signs
- **Infant and Child Development**
Promoting language and literacy development
Knowledge of physical and emotional development
Identifying developmental delays
Awareness brain development.
- **Supporting the Parent-Child Relationship**
Supporting attachment
Positive parenting child rearing practices
Knowledge of appropriate discipline
Support parent-child interactions
Observing parent-child interactions
Strategies for working with difficult relationships.

All CS receive specific training on case management and clinical supervision within six months of hire as stipulated by Healthy Families America and/or Maternal and Child Health Branch (MCHB).

All staff (FSWs and Supervisors) demonstrate knowledge on a variety of topics necessary for effectively working with (engaging and retaining) families and children *within six months of hire*.

On-going Training [formerly Basic/Advanced]

All supervisors receive advanced training on case management and clinical supervision within twelve months of hire and each subsequent year of hire.

All staff demonstrate knowledge on a variety of topics necessary for effectively working with families and children *within twelve months of hire and each subsequent year of hire*.

All service providers (EID workers, FSWs, supervisors, CDSs, CSs program directors, and executive directors) receive trainings on:

- **Child Abuse and Neglect** including but not limited to
Etiology of child abuse and neglect
Working with survivors of abuse.
- **Family Violence** including but not limited to Indicators of family violence
Dynamics of domestic violence and effects on children
Strategies for working with families with family violence issues
Referral resources for domestic violence and intervention protocols
Awareness of gang culture
- **Substance Abuse** including but not limited to
Etiology of substance abuse
Culture of drug use
Strategies for working with families with substance abuse issues
Smoking cessation
Indicators of alcohol abuse
Knowledge of fetal alcohol syndrome
Street drugs
- **Mental Health** including but not limited to
Promotion of positive mental health,
Behavioral signs of mental health issues and depression

Strategies for working with families with mental health issues
Referral resources for mental health.

- **Family Issues** including but not limited to
 - Life skill management
 - Strategies in engaging fathers
 - Coping with multi-generational families
 - Working with teen parents
 - Supporting positive relationships
 - HIV/ AIDS-universal precautions
- **Staff Related Issues**, including but not limited to
 - Stress and time management
 - Prevention of burnout prevention
 - Personal safety of staff
 - Ethics
 - Crisis intervention and emergency protocols.

Attachment D

Hawaii Families America Critical Elements

HEALTHY FAMILIES AMERICA

Critical Elements

1. Initiate services prenatally or at birth.
2. Use a standardized (i.e., in a consistent way for all families) assessment tool to systematically identify families who are most in need of services. This tool should assess the presence of various factors associated with increased risk for child maltreatment or other poor childhood outcomes (i.e., social isolation, substance abuse, parental history of abuse in childhood).
3. Offer services voluntarily and use positive, persistent outreach efforts to build family trust.
4. Offer services intensely (i.e., at least once a week) with well-defined criteria for increasing or decreasing intensity of service and over the long term (i.e., three to five years).
5. Services should be culturally competent such that staff understands, acknowledges, and respects cultural differences among participants: staff and materials used should reflect the cultural linguistic, geographic, racial and ethnic diversity of the population served.
6. Services should focus on supporting the parent(s) as well as supporting parent-child interaction and child development.
7. At a minimum, all families should be linked to a medical provider to assure optimal health and development (i.e., timely immunizations, well-child care, etc.). Depending on the family's needs, they may also be linked to additional services such as financial, food, and housing assistance programs, school readiness programs, child care, job training programs, family support centers, substance abuse treatment programs, and domestic violence shelters.
8. Services should be provided by staff with limited caseloads to assure that home visitors have an adequate amount of time to spend with each family to meet their unique and varying needs and to plan for future activities (i.e., for many communities, no more than fifteen (15) families per home visitor on the most intense service level. And, for some communities, the number may need to be significantly lower, i.e., less than ten (10).
9. Service providers should be selected because of their personal characteristics (i.e., non-judgmental, compassionate, ability to establish a trusting relationship, etc.), their willingness to work in or their experience working with culturally diverse communities, and their skills to do the job.

- 10a. Service providers should have a framework, based on education or experience, for handling the variety of experiences they may encounter when working with at risk families. All service providers should receive basic training in areas such as cultural competency, substance abuse, reporting child abuse, domestic violence, drug-exposed infants, and services in their community.
- 10b. Service providers should receive intensive training specific to their role to understand the essential components of family assessment and home visitation (i.e., identifying at-risk families, completing a standardized risk assessment, offering services and making referrals, promoting use of preventive health care, securing medical homes, emphasizing the importance of immunizations, utilizing creative outreach efforts, establishing and maintaining trust with families, building upon family strengths, developing an individual family support plan, observing parent-child interactions, determining the safety of the home, teaching parent-child interaction, managing crisis situation, etc.).
- 11. Service providers should receive ongoing, effective supervision so that they are able to develop realistic and effective plans to empower families to meet their objectives; to understand why a family may not be making progress and how to work with the family more effectively; and to express their concerns and frustrations so that they can see that they are making a difference and in order to avoid stress-related burnout.

HFA Critical Elements

These should already be part of your QIP and are incorporated into HHS Quarterly and Semi-Annual Reports.

EID

1-1.D. 95% -100% of eligibility screen/assessment occurs either prenatally or within the first 2 weeks after the birth of the baby.

1-2-A. The program defines, measures, and monitors the acceptance rate of participants into the program and evidence indicates acceptance rates are being measured more than once a year [HHS EID Quarterly Report].

1-2-B. The program semi-annually [HHS semi-annual QIP report] uses both formal and informal methods to analyze who refused the program and why. This analysis addresses programmatic, demographic, social, and other factors.

HV

3-2-A. The program has clearly written, comprehensive guidelines that specify a variety of positive outreach methods (e.g., telephone calls, visits, mailings, parenting groups, etc.).

3-3-A. The program guidelines specify the circumstances under which a participant is placed in outreach status.

3-4-A. The program defines, measures, and monitors the retention rates of participants in the program and evidence indicates retention rates are being measured more than once a year [HHS HV Quarterly Report].

3-4-B. The program semi-annually uses both formal and informal methods to analyze who leaves the program and why. This analysis addresses programmatic, demographic, social, and other factors [HHS Semi-Annual QIP Report].

3-4-C. The program addresses how it might increase its retention rate based on its analysis of programmatic, demographic, social, and other factors related to dropping out of the program after receiving services. Based on this analysis, the program has implemented a plan for increasing its retention rate among the individuals who are currently dropping out of the program. The plan addresses programmatic, demographic, social, and other factors.

4-1-C. The program analyses and addresses how it might increase its home visitation completion rate. Based on this analysis, the program has implemented a plan for increasing its home visitation completion rate.

4-1-E. The program regularly reviews progress made by participants, and involves, at a minimum, the home visitor, the participant, and the supervisor in this process.

4-2-A. Policy states that participants receiving intensive home visitation services are offered weekly home visits for a minimum of 6 months after the birth of the baby.

Training / Cultural Competency

- 5-3 The program provides staff training [all staff annually] on culturally competent practices based on the unique characteristics of the population(s) being served, I.e., age related factors, language, culture, etc.) by the program.
- 5-4 The program regularly evaluates the extent to which all aspects of its service delivery system (i.e., family assessment, service planning, home visitation, supervision, etc.) are culturally competent.
 - 5-4-A. There is an annual review of cultural competency that addresses the following components: materials, training, and service delivery system.
 - 5-4-B. The annual review of culturally competent practices includes participants input regarding culturally appropriate services.
 - 5-4-C. The annual review of culturally competency practices includes staff input regarding culturally appropriate services.
 - 5-4-D. The review is reported at least annually to the appropriate supervisory of advisory/governance group.
 - 5-4-E. The appropriate supervisory or advisory/governance group takes action on the recommendations contained within the report.

Training / Requirements

10-1-A. The program has a training plan that assures access to required trainings in a timely manner for all staff.

10-1-B. The program has a system to monitor staff training.

Use of Screen/Assessment Information

6-1-A. Based on the program's written guidelines, the CS and the HV consistently address and review the issues identified by the participant in the initial assessment.

6-1-B. Based on the program's written guidelines, the HV addresses and reviews issues identified in the initial assessment with the participant.

CDS

6-7-A. The program has guidelines which address how it tracks and follows through with appropriate actions for child participants suspected of having a developmental delay.

6-7-B. The program routinely tracks target children suspected of having a developmental delay.

6-7-C. The program routinely follows through with appropriate actions (i.e., referrals, in-depth evaluations or examinations, treatment or other services).

All Services, including CSp (in our program)

7-3 Participants are linked to additional services on an as-needed basis taking into account one or more of the following: information gathered in the assessment process, through the development of the IFSP, through home visits, from other service providers, etc.

7-3-A. The program connects participants to appropriate referral sources and services in the community based upon the information gathered.

7-3-B. The program follows up with the referral source, service provider, and/or participant to determine if the participant received needed services.

Caseload

- 8-1-A. Caseload is limited to no more than 15 Level I.
- 8-1-B. Caseload should not exceed 25 (at any combination of service levels).

Supervision

- 8-2-A. There are guidelines for managing caseloads.
- 8-2-B. The program uses the guidelines to manage caseloads, including (but not limited to)
 - ▶ Experience and skill level of the HV assigned
 - ▶ Nature and difficulty of the problems

Attachment E

Guidelines for Early Intervention Approval of Training

Department of Health, Family Health Services Division, Early Intervention Section

Trainer Application – Primary Approval

General Guidelines

1. This application form is required for primary trainer approval. Primary trainer approval grants the applicant general approval and is required to conduct approved trainings for staff and affiliates of Hawai'i's Early Intervention Service System. Primary trainer approval is a requisite for approval of training modules. Primary approval is also limited to core areas specified in this application (see guideline #3). Trainers with primary approval may apply for another approval type (see guideline #2) and/or expand the core areas for which they are approved by completing the Trainer Application – Additional Core Area Approval form, or Section V of the Module Approval Application.
2. Applicants may apply for approval as an Associate, Independent, or Senior Trainer. Definitions and requirements follow:

Type	Definition	Minimum Requirements
Associate	Can conduct trainings under the supervision of a Senior Trainer.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Experience conducting adult trainings as a co-facilitator/co-trainer at least 3 times2. A high school or an associate's degree
Independent	Can conduct trainings without supervision, but cannot supervise others	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Experience conducting adult trainings at least 3 times OR coursework in adult learning.2. A Bachelor's degree
Senior	Can supervise other trainers	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Experience conducting adult trainings more than 3 times AND coursework in adult learning.2. A Master's degree

3. Applicants must demonstrate knowledge of topics for which they seek approval to provide training to others. The application includes a section on academic coursework and/or community-based training attendance in the requested core areas of specialization.
4. Applicants must demonstrate training or experience in teaching adults and/or in adult learning theory for approval as an Independent Trainer. The application includes a section on academic coursework and/or community-based training attendance and delivery in the requested core areas of specialization.
5. Applicants who do not have training or experience in adult learning or who do not have a bachelor's degree can be approved as an Associate Trainer to provide training under the general supervision of a Senior Trainer.
6. Applicants seeking approval under the guidance of a Senior Trainer must provide the mentor's Early Intervention Trainer ID#.

BACKGROUND TRAINING EXPERIENCE

Place a check ✓ in the box next to all core areas that apply. Use rows at the end to enter other, relevant areas. Please provide requested information on college credits and training dates. Attach a separate page if necessary. Non-approved trainings may be listed following this table or in the professional experience section, as appropriate. Alternatively, a resume or portfolio may be attached; however, please specify here the core area and location (i.e. page #, section title) of relevant information in the attachment. If the location is not indicated, the attachment may not be considered.

EARLY INTERVENTION CORE AREAS	NUMBER & YEAR of College Credits or Semesters Completed		DATE(S) of EI Approved Community- Based Training Applicant has Attended	DATE(S) of EI Approved Community- Based Training Applicant has Instructed
	Credits	Semesters		
Child Development				
<input type="checkbox"/> General				
<input type="checkbox"/> Domain-specific				
<input type="checkbox"/> Domain-specific				
<input type="checkbox"/> Domain-specific				
<input type="checkbox"/> Home Visiting	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Natural Environments	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Family-Centered Care	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Building Relationships/Communication to Engage & Involve Families	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Competence	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Early Intervention Introduction, Overview, and Partners	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Health and Safety of Workers, Children, and Families	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Indicators of Child Abuse and Neglect	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Facilitation Skills	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Role and Skills of Care Coordinators	Credits	Semesters		

EARLY INTERVENTION CORE AREAS	NUMBER & YEAR of College Credits or Semesters Completed		DATE(S) of EI Approved Community- Based Training Applicant has Attended	DATE(S) of EI Approved Community- Based Training Applicant has Instructed
<input type="checkbox"/> Transition Out of Early Intervention	Credits	Semesters		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adult Learning Theory	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Eligibility Criteria & Procedures (303.300)	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Central Directory (303.301)	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Public Awareness Program (303.320)	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Comprehensive Child Find System (303.321)	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Evaluation and Assessment (303.322)	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Nondiscriminatory Procedures (303.323)	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Individualized Family Support Planning Process (303.340 – 303.346)	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Personnel Training & Standards (303.360 – 303.361)	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Procedural Safeguards (303.400 – 303.346)	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Mediation and Due Process Procedures for Parents & Children (303.419 – 303.425)	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Confidentiality (303.460): HIPAA, FERPA	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Lead Agency Requirements (303.500)	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Supervision and Monitoring of Programs (303.501)	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Lead Agency Procedures for Resolving Complaints (303.510 – 303.512)	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Policies and Procedures Related to Financial Matters (303.520 – 303.523)	Credits	Semesters		

EARLY INTERVENTION CORE AREAS	NUMBER & YEAR of College Credits or Semesters Completed		DATE(S) of EI Approved Community- Based Training Applicant has Attended	DATE(S) of EI Approved Community- Based Training Applicant has Instructed
<input type="checkbox"/> Resolution of Disputes (303.524 – 303.535)	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Contracting Services (303.526 – 303.528)	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Data Collection (303.540)	Credits	Semesters		
<input type="checkbox"/> Other_____	Credits	Semesters		

Attachment F

Hawaii Healthy Start Program Model



Program Model

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Hawai'i's Healthy Start (HHS) began as a demonstration child abuse and neglect prevention project in July 1985 in one location on Oahu. HHS served as the model for the home visiting program initiated on the mainland by Prevent Child Abuse America, Healthy Families America (HFA). Today HHS has evolved into a systemic and comprehensive family support service for environmentally at-risk families. These families require extra support, guidance, education, and information to ensure that their children are physically, emotionally and developmentally healthy and safe. HHS is part of the State's (via the Hawai'i State Department of Health) accepted plan to provide required services for children ages 0 to 3 years [Part B] under the Federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA), and the Felix vs. Lingle Consent Decree. As such, HHS is part of the Early Intervention (EI) System. The EI System includes:

- Early Intervention Section, Children with Special Health Needs Branch, Family Health Services Division;
- Public Health Nursing, Public Health Nursing Branch, Family Health Services Division; and,
- Healthy Start, Family and Community Support Section, Maternal and Child Healthy Branch, Family Healthy Services Division.

HHS has historically offered focused support services within a families' natural environment to reduce the likelihood of child maltreatment by reducing parental/environmental stressors, including establishment and utilization of a medical home, linkages with community resources such as health and mental health services, early childhood education, childcare, family literacy, employment, and social services, developmental screening and appropriate child development education/interventions, service coordination and advocacy for families, and providing parents with knowledge of child development, child health, and positive parenting skills and problem-solving techniques. Research strongly supports the family stress perspective of environment (employment, housing, income, etc.) affecting parental stress and behavior, which in turn influences family processes. Parents faced with environmental hardships tend to be more punitive and less warm in their parenting techniques, resulting in children who are more likely to act out. Hence, the importance of the parent-child relationship and its impact on child maltreatment.

HHS focuses equally on building family resiliency and supporting child development [See Service Map – Attachment I]. Critical HHS components include:

- Engagement and retention of families and related creative outreach efforts;
- Decreasing stress, chaos, and disorganization of families via the Level Movement System [a primary indicator of program success];
- Individual Family Support Plan (IFSP) [a primary indicator of family success and the main tool of service provision within the EI System]; and,
- Identifying, assessing, strategizing, addressing, monitoring, and evaluating malleable risk factors associated with child maltreatment/poor child outcomes.

HHS utilizes a para-professional model. Family Support Workers (FSW) are the primary contact with the family although a team of professional specialists work closely with the FSW in strengthening the family. These specialists include the Clinical Supervisor (CS), the Child Development Specialist (CDS), and the Clinical Specialist (CSp). All staff are selected because of a combination of personal characteristics, experiential, and education qualifications. [See HFA Critical Element 9 (Attachment II) for additional detail.]

The role of the CDS is to support optimal child growth and development utilizing a variety of appropriate developmental screening tools and timely intervention strategies with families and HHS staff. As such, this position is integral to the effective delivery of services for children with suspected developmental delays. Once the appropriate developmental screens are administered and reviewed, the CDS is responsible for timely referral of children to Early Intervention Section for Comprehensive Developmental Evaluation (CDE), following the child through service and supporting the family, and guiding the family and FSW on developmentally appropriate activities, via group activities and individual consultations, to enhance EI Services. The CDS may also be involved in coordinating developmental services for a family should the evaluation deem those services necessary. For those families initially refusing referral, the CDS works with them to help understand the nature of the suspected delay and to accept the referral. Finally, the CDS works with those who continue to have concerns but are not determined to be developmentally delayed. [See CDS Model – Attachment III].

The CSp position specifically addresses challenges of parents with substance use (including smoking), intimate partner abuse, and mental health issues that can impact program services aimed at child development and parent-child interactions when the parent is emotionally and psychologically unavailable. The CSp position works with these environmental risk factors of HHS parental/primary caregiver via referrals and resources, consultation and education, and

support. The focus is on the Stages of Change model and “treatment readiness” support to work with families in accepting, engaging in, remaining engaged in outside professional long-term treatment, and recovery support services. [See CSp Model – Attachment IV].

The goals of Healthy Start are as follows:

- a. To systematically assess, identify and offer services to those families needing extra support among all civilian birth families in the State of Hawaii as well as all prenatal referrals. To refer families to community resources as needed, including HHS home visiting programs.
- b. To enhance family functioning by teaching problem solving skills, and improving the family’s formal and informal support system. To provide linkages to community services to enhance parent, child and family wellness.
- c. To promote positive parent-child interaction which will enhance bonding and reduce the likelihood of child maltreatment
- d. To promote healthy childhood growth and development to enhance physical, emotional and developmental health.

HHS is committed to continuous quality improvement. Inherent to the model is the Hawaii Healthy Start Quality Improvement System, in which all providers participate in the development/revision of and strictly adhere to. [See Attachment V]. The goals of HHS are grounded in research and best practice, and are accomplished in two major service components:

1) Early Identification (EID) provides population-based, in-hospital screening/assessment/referral to identify environmentally at-risk infants plus screening/assessment of referred pre-natal families; and, 2) Home Visiting (HV) provides intensive, focused family support addressing the environmental risk factors.

EID Services:

Best practice indicates that all civilian families of newborns are screened/assessed in a face-to-face meeting within twenty-four (24) to forty-eight (48) hours after delivery but no later than fourteen (14) days of birth. Best practice indicates that referral to the HV component should be complete within another twenty-four (24) to forty-eight (48) hours after screen/assessment/referral has been accepted. A short-time line is critical to engagement and retention of high risk families. Program eligibility is up to ninety (90) days from birth. All referred prenatal moms are screened/assessed no later than fourteen (14) days from referral and

are then referred for home visiting services within twenty-four (24) to forty-eight (48) hours. MCHB determines the standardized screen/assessment tool. If they screen positive from the MCHB determined 15 point checklist, they are assessed using the MCHB determined standardized assessment tool [C. Henry Kempe's Family Stress Checklist] to determine environmental risk. This tool assesses the presence of various factors associated with increased risk for child maltreatment such as social isolation, substance abuse, family violence, lack of parenting skills, parents' history of child abuse, and stress inducing circumstances in the home. In addition, families who are active with Child Welfare Services may be referred for intake services within twelve (12) months of birth. For families who do not assess positive for the presence of the risk factors, referrals to other community resources may be made as needed. For those who would benefit from Healthy Start home visiting services, referrals are made to the Healthy Start home visiting program located in their area of residence. Services initiated pre-natally or at birth reach parents when they are most amenable to information and assistance. Once parenting patterns have been established, it is much more difficult to effect change. Early Identification teams of Family Assessment Workers (FAW) visit all civilian hospitals with birthing services daily to enable screening/assessment/referral for one hundred percent (100%) of postnatal families. Families who have already been discharged are followed up by phone screens/assessments. Prenatal families may be self-referred or referred by doctors, Public Health Nurses, and prenatal programs in the community.

HV Services

Home Visiting (HV) services are intensive based on the perceived functioning of the family and the developmental needs of the child. HV services are voluntary, culturally competent and intended to continue until the child is three years of age (or five years of age if there is a younger target child).

Direct services include:

- 1). Informed support, advocacy and referrals for families based on the risk factors identified at intake;
- 2). Identifying, assessing, strategizing, addressing, monitoring, and evaluating malleable risk factors associated with child maltreatment/poor child outcomes.
- 3.) Developmental screens and environmental assessments at regular intervals;
- 4.) Linking families to a medical home with insurance for the family and child;

- 5.) Parenting education to include parent-child interaction skills, child development information and non-violent discipline strategies;
- 6.) Health information and referrals regarding well-baby care, family planning, prenatal care and child immunization needs; and,
- 7.) Problem solving skills and guidance on developing family resiliency through the Individual Family Support Plan as required by IDEA Part C guidelines and the HHS Level Movement System.

Level Movement System

Families accepting services when assessed positive to receive weekly home visits for at least six (6) months following the birth of an identified target child. The frequency of home visits is gradually decreased based upon improved family functioning and circumstances as well as the completion of programmatic requirements, which reflect program goals, i.e., developmental screens, immunizations. Family Support Workers (FSW) attempt to accommodate parents who, because of extenuating circumstances, cannot meet during the normal week by providing creative and flexible solutions, including evening and weekend visits. All contacts with families are documented. When the family is referred to Home Visiting services, the Clinical Supervisor (CS) should review all intake information to identify and monitor risk factors/family stressors and guide the FSW as appropriate to provide specific family focused services including resources and referrals. This information is also used to focus service efforts at each Level. For example, a family experiencing violence, specifically intimate partner violence, would have specific issues related to problem solving and conflict resolution, child safety, positive support, and an emergency plan.

The CS and FSW regularly review the family's Level Status to determine promotion to the next Level, or for possible movement to a more intensive Level. All Level movement is documented using the appropriate Level Forms with supporting documentation (i.e., home visitation record, Individual Family Support Plan (IFSP), supervision notes). Families are to be promoted only upon completely meeting all requirements as defined in each Level.

Level P – Prenatal (Pre-engagement)

Level IA – Postnatal Engagement

Level I – Engaged In Service (Crisis Management & Stress Stabilization)

Level II – Retained in Service

Level III – Continued Service (Changeable risk factors reduced
/less chaos & more organization)

Level IV – Maintenance

Level X – Engagement/Retention Efforts (Outreach)

Level E – Extreme Scheduling Circumstances

Participants entering prenatally are not subject to IDEA, Part C guidelines as the target child has not yet been born and, as such, this service is considered pre-engagement.

Discharges should address remaining and/or continuing areas of family strengths, concerns and priorities as well as assessment of risk factors and related transition activities/strategies.

HHS Training System:

In addition to having personal dispositions and skills that prepare them for their role, service providers must also receive formal training to develop the knowledge and skills necessary to achieve program goals. Formal training provides an understanding of Healthy Start goals and provides the “how to” link between theory and practice. Training enhances the service provider’s ability to sensitively transmit information to families and to promote change in negative parenting behaviors (Weiss, 1993). Service providers must possess many skills and significant knowledge to work with families who are unique and present specific challenges. They must not only be skilled in the identification of risk factors but in strategies to motivate families to address change. Insights acquired from training meet these broad challenges in order to facilitate change and to develop an atmosphere of trust.

A commitment to training:

- Provides the opportunity for service providers to receive and share information and experiences and to develop and implement practical approaches in a safe environment;
- Benefits service providers by acknowledging frustrations and providing support and education. Training also promotes staff professional development; and,
- Insures consistent and comprehensive delivery of services to meet standards of service delivery.

All training provided by MCHB via the HHS training contract will comply with the HHS Training System. Although the HHS Training System does supply a significant portion of training requirements as determined necessary for HFA credentialing, the HHS Training System does not meet all training needs. Contracted Purchase of Service Providers (POSP) must support the HHS Training System fully. In addition, POSP must supply all required training whether or not it is delivered via the HHS Training Contract. Service Providers, to include Family Assessment Workers, Family Support Workers, Child Development Specialists, Clinical Specialists, Clinical Supervisors, Managers and Directors, must receive intensive training specific to their role to understand the essential components of family assessment and home visitation according as well as varied and consistent advanced training according to stated HFA critical elements and stated HHS training requirements.

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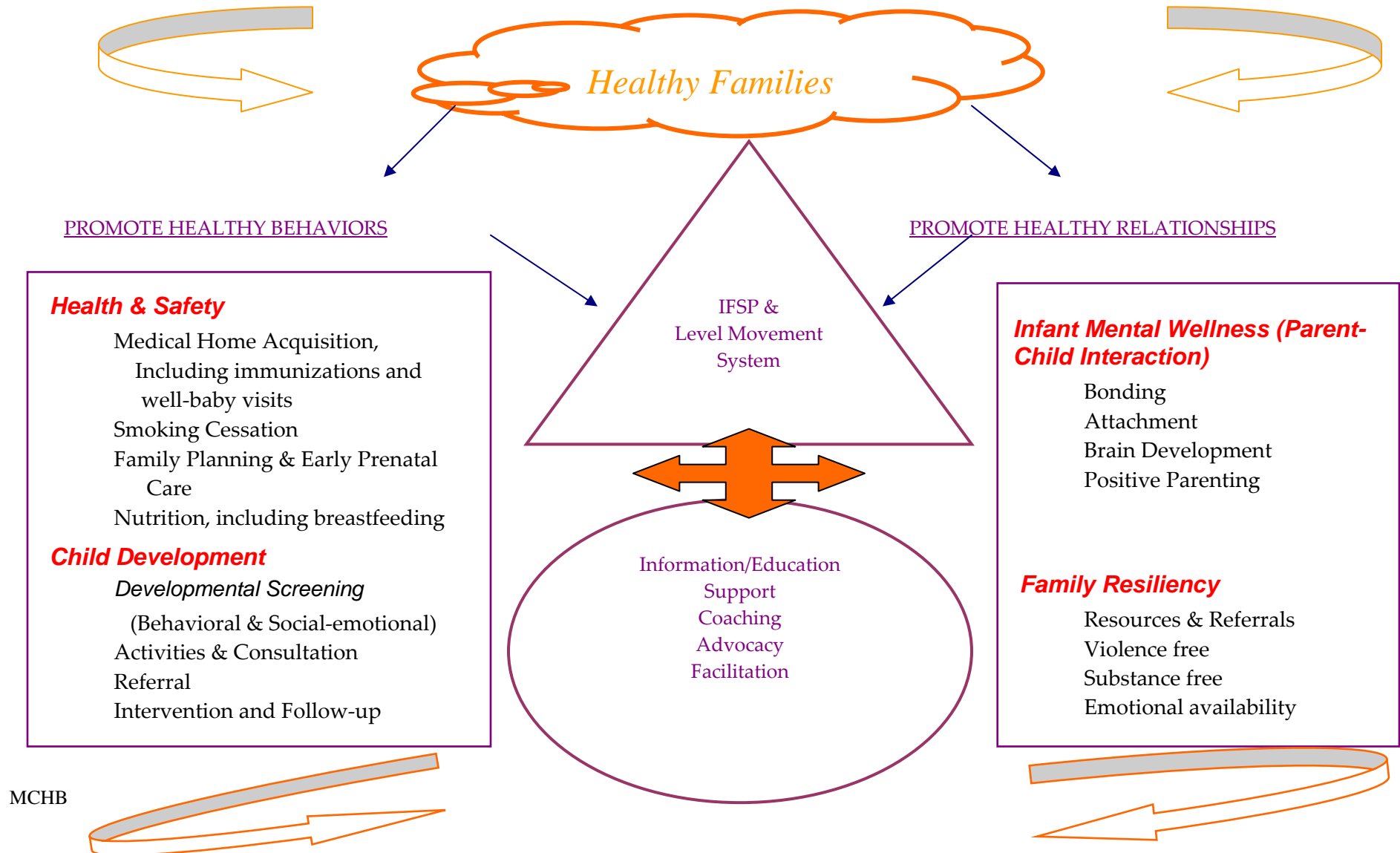
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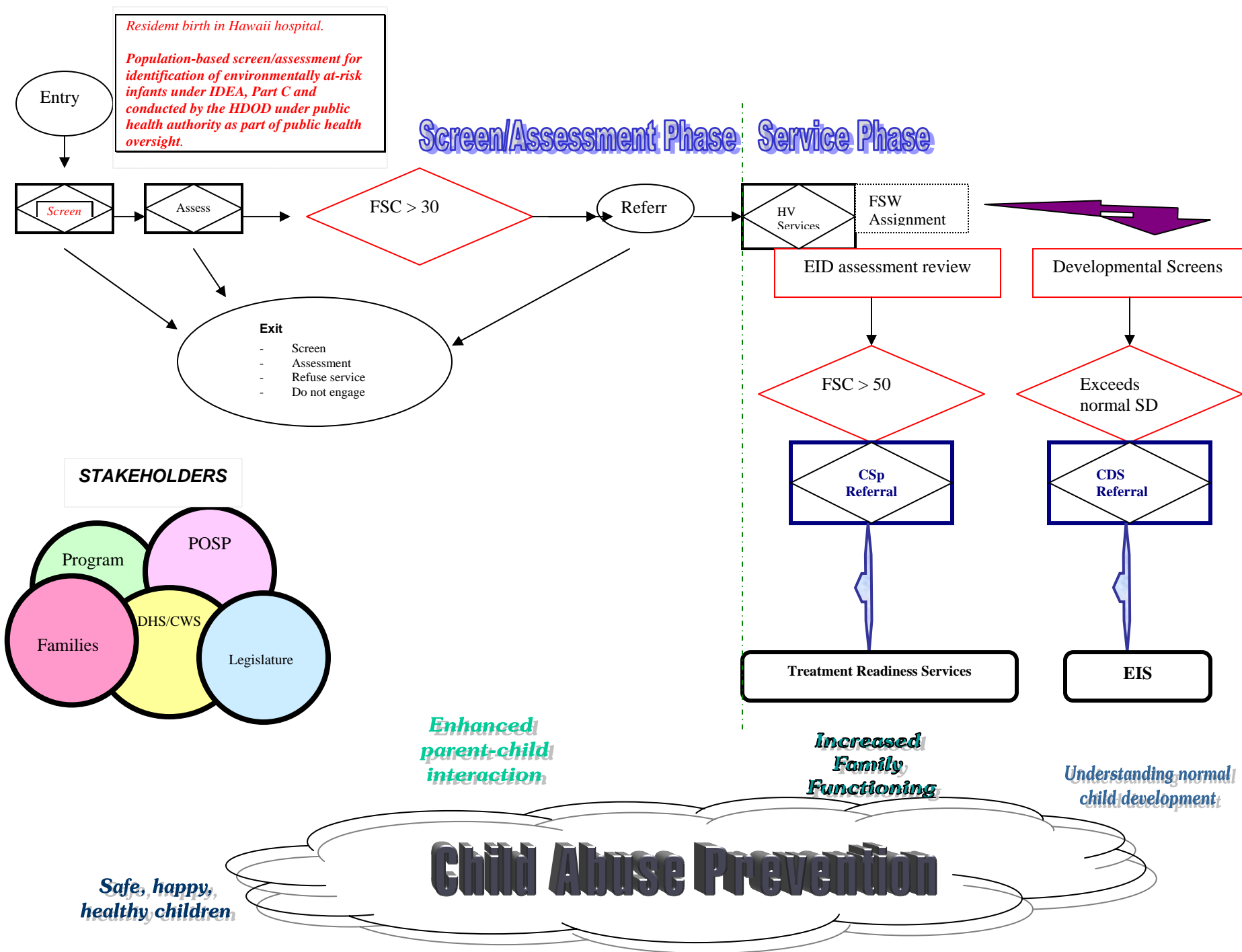
for leadership, collaboration, and belief in the model. MCHB looks forward to the continuing partnership in the service to families to reduce likelihood of child maltreatment.

EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES - HEALTHY START

Child Maltreatment Prevention for Environmentally At-Risk Children and Families

Assess and monitor risk factors to provide family specific services to reduce family stressors/environmental risk





Hawaii Healthy Start Quality Improvement System

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Inclusion under the Felix Consent Decree resulted in additional specialized services to more fully support both the child and the family of the child around issues of early developmental screening (Child Development Specialist) and predominant environmental risk factors of substance use, intimate partner abuse/family violence, and mental health issues (Clinical Specialist).

Child Development Specialist (CDS)

The role of the CDS is to support optimal child growth and development utilizing a variety of appropriate developmental screening tools and timely intervention strategies with families and HHS staff. As such, this position is integral to the effective delivery of services for children with suspected developmental delays. Once the appropriate developmental screens are administered and reviewed, the CDS is responsible for timely referral of children to Early Intervention (EI) Section (EIS) for Comprehensive Developmental Evaluation (CDE), following the child through service and supporting the family, and guiding the family and Family Support Workers (FSW) on developmentally appropriate activities, via group activities and individual consultations, to enhance EIS. The CDS may also be involved in coordinating developmental services for a family should the evaluation deem those services necessary. For those families initially refusing referral, the CDS works with them to help understand the nature of the suspected delay and to accept the referral. Finally, the CDS works with those who continue to have concerns but are not determined to be developmentally delayed.

During FY03 there were a total of 4,675 children served by HHS. The Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ) is a screening tool to monitor child development. Table 1. below summarizes that there were 177 children identified having at least a two standard deviation (2SD) below the mean for normal development within each particular age range in one domain on the ASQ [indicating immediate referral to Early Intervention (EI) Section for Comprehensive Developmental Evaluation (CDE) which confirms a developmental delay.] 96.2% of HHS children were developmentally on-track.

Similar efforts have been implemented for the Ages and Stages Questionnaire - Social-Emotional (ASQ-SE) in FY04.

Clinical Specialist (CSp)

Trend data analysis suggested that three primary environmental risk factors were increasing for eligible HHS families and qualitative data suggested a model efficacy issue for program services aimed at child development and parent-child interactions where the parent is emotionally and psychologically unavailable. The role of the CSp position is to specifically address environmental risk factors of HHS parental/primary caregiver substance use (including smoking), intimate partner abuse/family violence, and mental health issues via referrals and resources,

consultation and education, and support. The focus is on the Stages of Change model and “treatment readiness” support to work with families in accepting, engaging in, remaining engaged in outside professional long-term treatment, and recovery support services.

During FY03 there were a total of 4,213 families served by HHS and, according to quarterly reports submitted by POSP, 1,894 were newly admitted (45%). Of these newly enrolled families, 31.5% (n = 596) indicated high stress in environmental risk areas associated with child abuse and neglect. 100% of these families were referred to and served by the CSp via a variety of strategies not limited to treatment readiness including provision of appropriate resources and referrals, consultations with the FSW supporting the family, group activities and information, and aftercare recovery and support.

Utilizing Social Learning theory with the “strength-based” approach (enhanced self-efficacy), Healthy Start seeks to increase family functioning and enhance positive parent-child interactions to support normal child development and promote safe, healthy, and happy children.

The HHS model is dynamic and based on continuous quality improvement. The Hawaii Department of Health (HDOH) and the HHS Network have a history of attentiveness to the model and priority to meeting the ever-increasing needs and environmental risk of families. Evaluation results, data from CHEIRS, and identified best practice from the field are utilized to enhance quality of service delivery and drive program improvement.

HHS Quality Improvement System

The Quality Improvement System includes training, quality control and quality assurance. Such activities are necessary to ensure full:

- Implementation of the program model;
- Utilization of Healthy Start's Standards and Guidelines;
- Compliance with contract, Felix and Federal IDEA mandated service requirements by the seventeen (17) Purchase of Service Provider (POSP) program sites throughout the state; and,
- Collaboration with the Early Intervention Section in the development of a statewide early intervention system.

Defining boundaries with Early Intervention Section and focusing efforts as a provider has been a priority in FY2004. Healthy Start administrative staff have taken active roles in establishing an integrated and cohesive early intervention system for children age 0 to 3 years. Areas being revised in conjunction with Early Intervention Section and Public Health Nursing Branch are training, supervision, and the Individualized Family Support Plan (IFSP).

The Healthy Start Policies and Procedures are currently being updated and revised with an implementation date of July 1, 2004 and will be renamed Standards and Guidelines. In addition, quality improvement activities have been merged with the model's training requirements to improve quantity and quality of best practice standards. Best practice is based on the credentialing requirements of Prevent Child Abuse America – Healthy Families America with additional requirements built into the model by the program office, based in part, on the research evaluation findings of Johns Hopkins University. Further, federal compliance requirements, including HIPAA, FERPA, and 42 C.F.R. Part 2 have been implemented. Finally, the Child Health Early Intervention Record System (CHEIRS) has resulted in improved data collection.

HHS Training System

The training model is currently being aligned with the Quality Improvement System (QIS) to ensure that all trainings are specific to the Hawai'i Healthy Start program model and the Standards and Guidelines. In addition, research evaluation findings from Johns Hopkins have been taken into consideration. The goal is to improve both the continuity and quality of services by engaging POSP in more advanced trainings emphasizing skill development and utilization according to best practice.

The foundation of the State Training System is based on concepts from Adult Learning Theory. The theory is based on four assumptions about the characteristics of adult learners: self-concept, experience, readiness to learn, and motivation to learn. Adult Learning Theory engages the learner in doing and the learner helps direct their own learning. Utilizing this theory, trainings are being redesigned to be participatory in nature, query participants to engage in dialog, and help lead the learner to discover truths and knowledge for themselves.

Priorities:

- Utilization of community-based experts from the field.
- Identification and monitoring of program priority risk factors as a key outcome for every training.
- Experience in role-modeling and role-playing appropriate scenarios to develop/practice skill.
- Incorporating strategies from system change theory to increase effectiveness of training.
- Designing a protocol for position supervisors to follow-up and reaffirm skills after training.
- Implementation of a system for supervisors to track and plan training of staff.
- Integrating the Hawai'i Preschool Content Standards into the Healthy Start training model to increase the linkage with school readiness, and early childhood care and education initiatives.
- Developing a “train-the-trainer” component within the training model to support the in-state infrastructure. Covered issues will include: adult learning theory, adult learning styles, training diverse audiences (including parents), developing a trainers “tool box”, and incorporating interactivity and mutual help into training and presentation styles.

A key theme is Infant Mental Health and evidence-based practice. By looking at the trainings as part of a state system rather than as individual sessions, the theme of developing and nurturing infant mental health will help integrate and coordinate the pieces together into an understanding of the model as well as the role and responsibility of each position and how each position works as an essential part of the team supporting the target child and family.

Other areas impacting the development of a State Training System are: 1). Growing training development demands that can not be met by the POSP, who is charged with the delivery of the training system, and no full-time program staff person committed exclusively to training; 2). The monies allotted for training remaining constant while the demands for quality and quantity increase; and 3). Continuing staff turnover among the POSP that results in a need for continued cycling through the foundations of training while also trying to advance the training model forward with more advanced participants.

A training strategic plan is currently under development to highlight system change and give appropriate deadlines. Given the demands of the system in relation to the supporting infrastructure, extended timelines for development and implementation are necessary.

HHS Standards for Quality Control

Healthy Start has instituted recommendations for quality control at the program level.

As of January 2004 MCHB strongly recommended that agency level home visiting policy and procedure be revised to include establishment of quality control measures complementary to fiscal responsibilities. All POSP were directed to develop a plan for implementing and monitoring chosen procedures, and to revise agency specific policy and procedure to incorporate established quality control measures and protocols. In addition, POSP were directed to train all staff in these areas.

All new employees receive orientation, including billing compliance, from their supervisor and this is documented in their personnel file.

Quality Improvement (QI) activities are documented in monthly supervisor team meetings, record notes, Clinical Supervision (CS) notes, and QI reports.

Methods of Quality Control – Program may select from the options below. Some of these may already be in place at a particular program. Agencies should determine which options are most suited for particular sites and incorporate into existing program policy and procedure. MCHB strongly recommends *a minimum of two items* be selected and implemented.

SHADOWING

1. Shadowing: Family Support Worker (FSW) and Family Assessment Worker (FAW) to learn of each other's roles – particularly for neighbor island sites or sites who hold both the Early Identification (EID) and Home Visiting (HV) contracts.
2. Clinical Supervisor (CS) shadowing of FSW: Every new family with FSW at first home visit.
3. CS shadowing of FSW: Every FSW once a quarter.
4. CS shadowing of FSW: Every family discharging, if there is advanced knowledge of discharge.
5. CS Supervisor: Once a quarter the supervisor of the Clinical Supervisor observes a supervision session with an FSW.

OUTREACH TO FAMILIES

1. CS sends a "welcome letter" to every new family encouraging contact within two weeks of admission.
2. Phone Survey: CS call 4 actively participating families per FSW per quarter
3. Phone Survey: CS call all Level X per FSW per quarter

DOCUMENTATION

1. Families sign off after every home visit and CS compares signature on original consent with signatures on billing sheets
2. CS match billing with HV notes to verify and sign off on log
3. Weekly supervision of FSW and CS. Group sessions are documented in meeting minutes.
4. Chart review: CS review 5 charts per month per FSW
5. Chart review: Supervisors of CS review supervision binders once a quarter

HHS Continuous Quality Improvement

On-going continuous quality improvement activities are implemented at three distinct levels within the Healthy Start program.

- **Individual Purchase of Service Program (POSP) Quality Assurance.** HFA credentialing is required of each Healthy Start POSP. This process includes areas of self-assessment, satisfaction surveys, and self-improvement strategies monitored in a quality improvement plan that is systematically reviewed by HFA. This ensures a level of quality in home visiting services not only across the state, but also on a nationally recognized level. Further, each POSP implements various quality assurance activities at an agency level that includes, but is not limited to, the Healthy Start program.
- **Program Quality Improvement.** Healthy Start has several reporting requirements designed to monitor quality assurance at each site/program. These include quarterly reports, bi-annual quality improvement reports, annual variance reports, and biennium contract evaluation reports. All of these reports provide continuing information on performance objectives. With oversight provided by the Quality Assurance Specialist, each site/program is specifically assigned to the Quality Assurance Specialist, the Registered Professional Nurse, or the Children & Youth Specialist. Typically, those sites/programs furthest from achieving performance objectives are assigned to the Quality Assurance Specialist who works with the site in developing specific quality improvement strategies with the provision of additional technical assistance. Each site/program is required to design, implement, monitor, and report on quality improvement activities to the respective administrative contact.

Beginning in the new state fiscal year, July 1, 2004, all sites will be required to implement the Healthy Start Quality Improvement Plan which addresses program level areas of needed improvement, as prioritized by the Program Office, including but not limited to

- Full compliance with stated timelines for IFSP completion;
 - Full compliance with stated timelines for developmental screens completion, referrals, and follow-up;
 - Increasing rates of prenatal enrollment;
 - Increasing completion rates of screens/assessments;
 - Increasing rates of referral to home visiting services;
 - Decreasing rates of Level X families (increasing engagement rates);
 - Increasing rates of retention of families; and,
 - Increasing transitioning planning/activities for target children exiting the program.
- **Model Quality Improvement.** Individual site/program information is synthesized and evaluated to identify areas of strength and areas requiring restructuring within the model by the Healthy Start administrative team. This level of policy analysis also includes program directors, the Family and Community Support Section Supervisor, the Maternal and Child Health Branch Chief, and the Family Health Service Division Chief. In addition, evaluation results from Johns Hopkins University, the principal outside research evaluator of Healthy Start, are analyzed with results influencing policy decisions.
- **Priority One:** Full utilization of the Child Development Specialist.

The role of the CDS is to support optimal child growth and development utilizing a variety of appropriate developmental screening tools and timely intervention strategies with families and Healthy Start staff. As such, this position is integral to the effective delivery of services for children with suspected developmental delays. Once the appropriate developmental

screens are administered and reviewed, the CDS is responsible for timely referral of children to Early Intervention Services (EIS) for comprehensive professional evaluation, following the child through service and supporting the family, and guiding the family and Family Support Workers (FSW) on developmentally appropriate activities, via group activities and individual consultations, to enhance EIS. The CDS may also be involved in coordinating developmental services for a family should the evaluation deem those services necessary.

Healthy Start requires one CDS per site. Healthy Start has a minimum total of 13 CDS positions statewide. Some agencies choose to support the CDS position beyond the contract requirements, given the numbers served at any one site. This is especially true for Oahu sites. At the end of March 2004, 11 of the 13 positions were filled. Three agencies/sites have more than one CDS. Thus, there were actually 15 CDS positions working within the Healthy Start model. Just one Oahu site had the two vacancies. However, the agency has one CDS position filled who is available to support the entire agency along with technical assistance provided MCHB. In addition, at the direction of MCHB, the agency has implemented a contingency plan to assure that service provided by other specialists until the position is filled. The agency is responsible for continuing recruitment efforts.

➤ Priority Two: Development of a systemic training model

The current training POSP is supporting MCHB is developing and implementing an enhanced system of training for Healthy Start based on in-state capacity to counter demand with supply. In addition, The Quality Assurance (QA) Specialist has been working closely with Healthy Families America and has been recognized as a State Leader. The purpose is to help increase model efficacy. In addition, the QA Specialist is on the advisory board of HFA's Western Regional Resource Center (WRRC). The WRRC has prioritized training and this collaboration benefits both Hawaii Healthy Start and HFA in the development of a systemic training system related to home visiting programs aimed at the prevention of child abuse and neglect.

Concurrent areas of development include:

- A shift from delivery content alone to application based on best practice and HFA critical elements.
- Integration of adult learning theory.
- Increased utilization of content area specific community resources.
- Implementation of a train-the-trainer model to increase trainer effectiveness.
- Transition from continuous cycle of Intensive Role Specific training to more advanced training, based, in part, in research evaluation findings shared by Johns Hopkins.
- Expansion of child development training by utilizing the [Program for Infant/Toddler Caregivers \(PITC\)](#), a comprehensive curriculum and training system for providers working with children under three years of age. PITC addresses both the need for a coherent curriculum that also builds on the child's innate motivation to learn.
- Development of a Healthy Start specific EIS orientation to comply with Office of Special Education Program (OSEP) requirements.

As a result, there are several areas where quality protocols are under development, with full implementation by the end of 2004. These areas are beyond HFA standards and are designed to further support the model for improved efficaciousness. Broader areas include creative outreach and supervision. More specific examples include:

- Accurate completion and timely, coordinated utilization of developmental screens and related follow-up.
- The Healthy Start Nurse, in conjunction with the Quality Assurance Specialist, has developed and implemented a systemic system for quality control monitoring of children with suspected developmental delays. Numbers will be tracked and trends will be analyzed, including a breakdown by developmental domain. This information will be used to establish baseline data, focus on improved outcomes, identify sites needing technical assistance, and to recognize additional training needs. Further, after review of individual referrals, the Healthy Start Nurse follows-up with specific sites to assure quality and timeliness of service.
- Streamlining and improving documentation of key Healthy Start program components.
- Identifying and implementing a pre-natal curriculum as well as a child development curriculum for use across the state Healthy Start system. These curricula will be enhanced to focus on the natural environment, the importance of fathers in a child's life, structured parent-child interaction (observation and feedback, use of video camera), and life planning (including family planning)/goal attainment.
- Enhancing the parent involvement component. HFA has a promising new model and organization for parent involvement called Circle of Parents.
- Revising the Level Movement System and developing corresponding, supporting documentation (for example, based on the work of Margaret Ainsworth).
- Increasing the emphasis on Family Violence Prevention by working across programs within MCHB to coordinate services, standards, and screening protocols for all POSP.

Early Intervention System Quality Assurance

In partnership with the Early Intervention Section, Children with Special Health Needs Branch, Healthy Start modified existing quality assurance activities to fully reflect the EIS approach in conforming with federal IDEA Part C and state requirements to assure that all environmentally at-risk children age 0-3 years and their families are provided, through a family-centered, community-based, culturally sensitive, coordinated process, the necessary early intervention services to meet their needs.

As Healthy Start records are covered under the Family Education Record Act (FERPA), the corresponding document legislation to IDEA, Part C, Healthy Start has worked with Early Intervention Section to develop and implement a compliance plan.

- Disseminate the Family Rights brochure to all new Healthy Start families.
This policy was fully implemented by all Healthy Start programs in fall 2003.

- Incorporate the Family Rights brochure into all pertinent documentation for new families (consents, notices, authorizations, etc.), i.e., family has received it, reviewed it, understood it, had an opportunity to ask questions, knows whom to contact with a complaint, etc.
- Review and disseminate the Family Rights brochure again during each annual Individual Family Support Plan (IFSP).
- Develop a system with EIS to provide OSEP training to all staff (this began in January 2004 and is on-going).

Healthy Start administrative staff engage in on-site monitoring.

- **On-Site Monitoring of Program, Contractual & IDEA, Part C Requirements.** The Healthy Start administrative team conducts on-site monitoring of the first contract year during the second quarter of the second contract year for all sites. Programs respond to the monitoring report of Findings and Recommendations via a quality improvement plan that specifically addresses the monitoring results. Sites requiring significant improvement are monitored again six to nine months later to ascertain degree of improvement.

Healthy Start systematically requires the following standardized reports that are reviewed and analyzed for quality assurance purposes.

- Quarterly Reports (due no later than 30 days from the close of the quarter);
- Biannual Home Visiting Quality Improvement Reports (due no later than 30 days from the close of the period);
- Annual Variance Reports (due no later than 60 days from the close of the state contract year);
- Contract Evaluation Reports (due no later than 90 days from the close of the two year contract period);
- Monthly Felix Reports (due no later than the second Monday after the close of a month).

Continuing POSP reporting challenges are provided technical assistance with specific recommendations for improvement. This information is then used to inform specific monitoring activities described below. Areas that have do not show improvement is specifically followed-up on in the monitoring process.

Monitoring includes:

- Program & Contractual Requirements. Contract performance objectives are reviewed as are adherence to specialist models. Each agency's policies and procedures are reviewed to evaluate whether they are consistent with program and contractual requirements as well as federal standards (e.g., Occupational Health and Safety Administration standards, American with Disabilities Act, drug-free policies, etc.). Quality control protocols are reviewed. A sample of personnel records and security/storage protocol of confidential information are reviewed.

Monitoring of IDEA, Part C requirements began in the third quarter of FY 2004, as Healthy Start is a provider to the Early Intervention Section, lead agency in the state's Early Intervention System.

- IDEA, Part C Requirements. A sample of child charts are evaluated on a variety of indicators including: meeting IDEA timelines; inclusion of evaluation reports, complete IFSPs, consents, transition activities, progress/anecdotal notes in each chart; and confirmation that information on procedural safeguards was provided to each family. IFSPs are reviewed utilizing a checklist developed by the community Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) IFSP Workgroup to ensure that they include all required components, including a transition plan if appropriate and completion of transition activities. In addition to the chart review, an “IDEA Requirements Checklist” is completed to determine if programs have policies and procedures consistent with IDEA Part C.

Programs are in the process of completing their Improvement Plans based on the results cited in the monitoring reports. Priorities include timely completion of all IFSPs and developmental screens as well as full implementation of the Child Development Specialist model in which this specialist has the most interaction with referrals of children with suspected developmental delays and follow-up to EIS. Once completed, EIS will review and approve the plan, with each program having one year to complete the improvement outcomes identified in the plan. In conjunction with technical assistance from Healthy Start program staff, EIS staff is available to provide training and support to the public and private early intervention programs to reach their goals.

Need for Community Support and Collaboration

There are several areas within or related to the Healthy Start Model that could definitely support and strength home visiting services and the prevention of child maltreatment/family violence across the state. These include:

- Annual conference
- Research ⇒ practice
- Strong partnership with PCA HI Network building
- Strategic planning
- PR, marketing (website), advocacy
- Collaboration building and improved communication with OB-GYN and PED (medical home)
- Leadership training

Attachment G

Table A – Outcomes Measures

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Applicant Org. _____
RFP No. 550-2 _____

Column A	Column B	Column C
Dates of Training	Number of Participants Attending	Applicant's approach in meeting the output objectives, including training strategies
Number of HFA/MCHB Intensive Role Specific training offered to the Hawaii Start Program staff during the Fiscal Year.		

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Table A – Outcome Measures

Applicant Org. _____
RFP No. 550-2 _____

Column A	Column B	Column C
Dates of Training	Number of Participants Attending	Applicant's approach in meeting the output objectives, including training strategies
Number of HFA/MCHB Additional trainings offered to the Hawaii Healthy Start Program staff during the Fiscal Year:		

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Table A – Outcome Measures

Applicant Org. _____
RFP No. 550-2 _____

Column A	Column B	Column C
Dates of Training	Number of Participants Attending	Applicant's approach in meeting the output objectives, including training strategies
Number of HFA/MCHB determined Continuous training on a variety of topics necessary for working with families and children attended by the Hawaii Healthy Start Program staff during the Fiscal Year:		

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Table A – Outcome Measures

Applicant Org. _____
RFP No. 550-2 _____

Column A	Column B	Column C
Dates of Training	Number of Participants Attending	Applicant's approach in meeting the output objectives, including training strategies
Number of HFA/MCHB Advance Training on Case Management and Clinical Supervision attended by the Hawaii Healthy Start Program staff during the Fiscal Year:		

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Attachment H

**Department of Health's Directive Number
04-01 dated May 3, 2004**



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TO: All Deputies, Division and Branch Chiefs, Staff Officers, District Health Officers, and Administrators of Attached Agencies

FROM: Chiyome Leinaala Fukino, M.D.
Director of Health *Chiyome Leinaala Fukino*

SUBJECT: INTERPERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN STAFF AND CLIENTS/PATIENTS

04-1.1 PURPOSE

This directive provides the policy for the State of Hawaii, Department of Health on interpersonal relationships between staff and clients/patients.

04-1.2 POLICY

- A. Staff shall not use their professional position to exploit others for any reason.
- B. Staff shall avoid engaging in dual/multiple relationships with clients/patients or former clients/patients. When dual/multiple relationships are unavoidable, staff shall take steps ensure that the nature of the dual/multiple relationship shall neither harm nor exploit the client/patient.
- C. Sexual relationships with any client/patient or former client/patient are prohibited. Staff shall not have financial relationships with clients/patients or former clients/patients.

- D. Staff are prohibited from engaging in sexual relationships with clients/patients' relatives or other individuals with whom clients/patients maintain close personal relationships, or to whom clients/patients are reliant upon. Staff are required to set clear, appropriate and culturally sensitive boundaries.
- E. Staff shall neither initiate, assume, nor maintain a treatment relationship to individuals with whom they have had prior sexual relationships. Staff shall inform their supervisor if there have been past relationships with potential clients/patients and arrange to have the care of such patients/clients provided by another qualified staff person.
- F. Staff shall not engage in physical contact with clients/patients when there is a possibility of psychological harm to the clients/patients as a result of the contact (such as cradling or caressing clients/patients). In providing services, staff who are required to have physical contact with clients/patients are responsible for setting clear, appropriate and culturally sensitive boundaries that govern such physical contact.
- G. Staff who anticipate the potential for sexual relationships with former clients/patients shall consult in depth with their supervisors, exploring the various risks and concerns.

04-1.3

SCOPE

This directive applies to all Department of Health employees, including volunteers, who provide treatment and/or services and individuals or agencies that are contracted to provide treatment and/or services on behalf of the Department of Health.

04-1.4

DEFINITIONS

Clients/Patients:	Persons under observation, care, treatment, or receiving services.
Department:	Department of Health
Director:	Director of Health

Dual/multiple relationships:	When an employee has, or has had, more than one relationship with a patient or client, either presently or in the past. These may include professional, business, social, or personal relationships. Dual/multiple relationships can occur simultaneously or consecutively.
Staff:	Department employees, including volunteers, and individuals or agencies that are contracted to provide services on behalf of the Department.
Health:	Includes physical and mental health.
Providers:	Any persons, public or private vendors, agencies, or business concerns authorized by the department to provide health care, services, or activities.
Services:	Appropriate assistance provided to a person with a medical illness, developmental disability, mental illness, substance abuse or dependency disorder, or mental retardation. These services include, but are not restricted to assessment, case management, care coordination, treatment, training, vocational support, testing, day treatment, dental treatment, residential treatment, hospital treatment, developmental support, respite care, domestic assistance, attendant care, habilitation, rehabilitation, speech therapy, physical therapy, occupational therapy, nursing counseling, family therapy or counseling, interpretation, transportation, psychotherapy, and counseling to the person and/or to the person's family, guardian or other appropriate representative.
Treatment:	The broad range of services and care, including diagnostic valuation, medical, psychiatric, psychological, and social service care, vocational rehabilitation, career counseling, and other special services which may be extended to a person in need or with a disabling condition.

04-1.5 **RESPONSIBILITIES**

- A. **Director:** Insure this policy is maintained, interpreted, updated, and communicated to all program managers.
- B. **Deputy Directors:** Insure this policy is communicated to, understood and implemented by program managers within their administrations, and insure needed revisions of this policy are communicated to the Director.
- C. **Program Managers:**
 - (1) Insure this policy is communicated to and understood by all vendors, providers, or contractors, and insert a reference to this policy in appropriate contracts.
 - (2) Insure this policy is enforced.
 - (3) Investigate alleged or reported infractions of this policy and take corrective actions as may be indicated.
 - (4) Recommend needed changes to this policy to their Deputy Directors.
- D. **Employees:** Comply with this policy and report alleged infractions of this policy to their supervisors or superiors.
- E. **Providers:** Insure this policy is communicated, understood, and implemented.

04-1.6 **PROVISO**

If there is a conflict between this policy and a collective bargaining agreement, the collective bargaining agreement shall prevail.

04-1.7

REFERENCES

- A. Discrimination in Public Accommodations, Chapter 489, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as amended.
- B. Fair treatment, Section 84-13, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as amended.
- C. Rights of persons with developmental or mental retardation, Section 333F-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as amended.
- D. Rights of recipients of mental health services, Chapter 334E, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as amended.
- E. Sex Discrimination, Title 12, Chapter 46, Subchapter 4, Hawaii Administrative Rules, as amended.
- F. Disability Discrimination, Chapter 46, Subchapter 9, Hawaii Administrative Rules.

This document should be placed in the Personnel Manual of Policies and Procedures under Section 11, SUBJECT: EMPLOYEE RELATIONS.